

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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ELEMENT

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

This is being filed in response to the final Office Action dated December 18, 2006 (Paper No. 20061129) in the above application. This response is being timely filed by March 19, 2007 (March 18, 2007 being a Sunday). The finality of this application has been removed in view of the simultaneous filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).